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(MBHB Case No. 02-742-O; 400/144)

In the Application of:

McSwiggen et al.

Serial No.: 10/764,957

Filing Date: January 26, 2004

For: RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition
Of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor
And Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor
Receptor Gene Expression Using Short
Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)

Examiner: GIBBS, Terra C.

Group Art Unit: 1635

Confirmation No. 9923

Commissioner of Patents
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